

MEDIA STATEMENT

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GAUTENG CONFIRMED COVID-19 CASES DISTRICT BREAKDOWN

The total number of confirmed COVID-19 cases in Gauteng as at 19 May 2020 sits at 2361, with 1694 recoveries and 27 deaths.

Out of a total of 10 843 contacts traced (these are individuals who were in contact with people who tested positive for COVID-19); 8302 people have completed the 14 days monitoring period with no symptoms reported and therefore they are de-isolated.

A total number of 54 people are currently hospitalized in the public and private facility.

UPDATE ON ILLEGAL STRIKE AT STERKFONTEIN HOSPITAL

The Gauteng Department of Health (GDoH) has expressed dismay at actions by a group of staff at Sterkfontein Hospital who briefly disrupted services on Tuesday, 19 May 2020

The illegal strike disrupted hospital services and ignored the current lockdown rules which prohibits public gatherings. The service disruption affected various areas of the facility, including the usual multi-disciplinary team's morning visits to patients, which could not be undertaken as employees were locked outside the facility.

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Patients were not able to take medication and bath on time and the delivery of breakfast was also delayed. The strike was illegal because there was no official notice to the hospital management of their intention to embark on an industrial action as per labour law. In addition to that, the union did not raise any issues with hospital management prior to the strike.

The hospital staff was only able to gain access to the facility after police arrived and dispersed the crowd. The hospital management has since opened a case against those involved for locking the gate and denying access to staff to serve patients and for damage to property after a doctor's car was damaged.

The Department calls on all its employees to use various multi-lateral platforms to raise issues instead of embarking on illegal strikes which puts patient lives at risk. We can confirm that hospital services are back to normal and patients are receiving care as scheduled

Meanwhile, the department can confirm that one staff member at the Sterkfontein Hospital had tested positive and all 27 close contacts including staff and eight patients were tested and the results came back negative with the results of three people still pending. The process of testing the entire staff in the facility commenced almost two weeks ago.

The GDoH can confirm that Sterkfontein Hospital and the province has adequate Personal Protective Equipment and the province continues to regularly procure PPE to ensure that healthcare workers continue to render essential services to our patients.

BREAKDOWN PER DISTRICT:

DISTRICT	+ CASES	NEW	DEATHS	RECOVERIES
		CASES		
Johannesburg	1214	7	13	1032
Ekurhuleni	538	4	8	384
Tshwane	336	5	3	222
Sedibeng	40	1	0	13
West Rand	71	0	3	43
Unallocated	162	7		
Total	2361	24	27	1694
Deaths	27			1

BREAKDOWN PER SUB-DISTRICT:

District	Total District	Sub-District	Total Sub- District		Recoveries Total
City of Johannesbur g	1214	City of Johannesburg A: Diepsloot, Kya Sands, Dainfern, Midrand, Lanseria, Fourways, Ivory Park	176	167	1032
		City of Johannesburg B: Randburg, Rosebank, Emmarentia, Greenside, Melville, Mayfair, Northcliff, Parktown, Parktown North	181	158	
		City of Johannesburg C: Roodepoort, Constantia Kloof, Northgate, Florida, Bram Fishersville	94	74	
		City of Johannesburg D: Doornkop, Soweto, Dobsonville, Protea Glen	118	85	
		City of Johannesburg E: Alexandra, Wynberg, Sandton, Orange Grove, Houghton	297	268	
		City of Johannesburg F: Inner City, Johannesburg South	147	121	

District	Total District	Sub-District	Total Sub- District		Recoveries Total
		City of Johannesburg G: Orange Farm, Weilers Farm, Ennerdale, Lenasia, Eldorado Park, Protea South	79	69	
		Unallocated	122	90	
City of Tshwane	f 336	City of Tshwane 1: Ga-Rankuwa, Mabopane, Winterveldt, Soshanguve, Rosslyn, Karenpark, Wonderboom, Akasia, Nina Park, Orchads, Amandasig, Thereza Park, Pretoria North	41	34	
		City of Tshwane 2: Hammanskraal, Temba, Suurman, Dilopye, Stinkwater, Ramotse, New Eesterus, Kameeldrit, Pyramid/Rooiwal, Doornpoort, Kekana Gardens, KekansStad, Marokolong, Randstown, Kanana	13	5	
		City of Tshwane 3: Atteridgeville, Laudium, Pretoria CBD, Hercules, Danville, Saulsville, Lotus, Pretoria West		85	222
		City of Tshwane 4: Lyttelton, Eldoraigne, Waterkloof, Olievenhoutbosch, Rooihuiskraal, Lyttelton, Silverton, Centurion, Brooklyn, Hatfield	69	42	
		City of Tshwane 5: East Lynne, Rayton, Cullinan, Dewagensdrift, Refilwe, Silverton, Onverwacht	4	3	

District	Total District	Sub-District	Total Sub- District		Recoveries Total
		City of Tshwane 6: Eesterus, Lethabong, Mamelodi, Silverlakes, Garsfontein, Lynnwood, Queenswood, Wilgers, Watloo, Equestria, Mooikloof, Brummeria	72	45	
		City of Tshwane 7: Ekangala, Sokhulumi, Dark City, Zithobeni, Bronkhorstspruit, Kanana, Rethabiseng	11	8	
		Unallocated	13	0	
City of Ekurhuleni	538	Ekurhuleni East 1: Etwatwa, Daveyton, Brakpan, Tsakane	42	41	
		Ekurhuleni East 2: Springs, Kwa-Thema, Duduza, Nigel	39	24	
		Ekurhuleni North1: Birchleigh, Birchleigh North, Bonaero Park, Crystal Park, Erin, Ethafeni, Kempton Park, Olifantsfontein, Tembisa, Winnie Mandela	167	94	384
		Ekurhuleni North 2: Bedfordview, Benoni Boksburg, Chief Albert Luthuli, Dan Kubheka, Edenvale, Endayeni, Esangweni, Itireleng, Kemston, Lethabong, Ramaphosa, Reiger Park, Van Dyk Park	118	127	

District	Total District	Sub-District	Total Sub- District	Recoveries Sub- District	Recoveries Total
		Ekurhuleni South 1: Alberton, Brackenhurst, Eden Park, Primrose, Germiston, Leondale, Dawn Park,Tswelopele, Vosloorus, Villa Liza	102	81	
		Ekurhuleni South 2: Thokoza, Greenfields, Katlehong, Moleleki, Zonkizizwe, Palm Ridge, Moleleki, Tsietsi Sunrise View, Tamaho, Khumalo, Motsamai	22	11	
		Unallocated	48	6	
Sedibeng	40	Lesedi	5	3	13
		Emfuleni	28	9	
		Midvaal	7	1	
		Unallocated	0		1
West Rand	71	Mogale City	45	30	43
		Rand West City	15	10	
		Merafong City	5	3	1
		Unallocated	6		1
Unallocated	162		1		1

Unallocated cases in the district

Unallocated cases in the district breakdown refer to confirmed cases in Gauteng, that

are yet to be allocated to one of the five districts in the province.

The unallocated cases reflected in the sub-district breakdown refer to cases confirmed

in that district but have not been allocated to a subdistrict.

Data Harmonization

Allocating Gauteng cases to respective districts is ongoing. After obtaining further

information on contact numbers and addresses from law enforcement agencies,

provincial outbreak teams and the National Institute of Communicable Disease (NICD),

we are able to make corrections where a case might have been incorrectly allocated to a

particular district.

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